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An approach is provided for providing address geo-coding that enhances query result quality while increasing the flexibility of textual query strings. A geo-coding platform determines a request for geo-coding information, wherein the request is from a client to at least one geo-coding knowledge base and specifies at least one textual input. The geo-coding platform further causes, at least in part, a generation of at least one geo-coding request based, at least in part, on the at least one textual input. The geo-coding platform also determines to transmit the at least one geo-coding request to the at least one geo-coding knowledge base, one or more other geo-coding knowledge bases, or a combination thereof.

